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**ORDER NO. 3806** 

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Robert G. Taub, Chairman; Mark Acton, Vice Chairman; Tony Hammond; and Nanci E. Langley

Competitive Product Prices Global Expedited Package Services Contracts Non-Published Rates 9 (MC2016-46) Docket No. CP2016-61

## ORDER APPROVING MODIFICATION ONE TO AGREEMENT AND DENYING AS MOOT MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF

(Issued February 24, 2017)

The Global Expedited Package Services Contracts—Non-Published Rates 9 (GEPS—NPR 9) contract ending in serial number 0012 filed in this proceeding (Agreement) is set to expire on February 28, 2017. The Postal Service seeks to extend the Agreement pursuant to Modification One executed by the Postal Service and its

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Order No. 2967, Order Adding Global Expedited Package Services—Non-Published Rates Contract 9 (GEPS—NPR9) to the Competitive Product List, December 30, 2015; Customer Contract Filing Notice for Global Expedited Package Services – Non-Published Rates 9 Serial Numbers Ending: 0005 to 0008 and 0010 to 0015, March 10, 2016 at 3 (showing the contract effective date); Docket Nos. MC2016-46 and CP2016-61, Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Global Expedited Package Services - Non-Published Rates 9 (GEPS – NPR 9) to the Competitive Products List and Notice of Filing GEPS – NPR 9 Model Contract and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal, December 18, 2015, Attachment 4 at 4 (showing the contract term).

contract partner.<sup>2</sup> Modification One extends the expiration date of the Agreement until March 31, 2017. Motion at 2.

The Postal Service states that it intends to initiate a new rate docket and file the successor to the Agreement that is the subject of this docket. *Id.* For this reason, the Postal Service requests an extension to maintain continuity of pricing and other terms and conditions of the Agreement. *Id.* 

The Commission finds that the extension will not affect the Agreement's ability to comply with 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a). Extending the Agreement is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person. Consequently, the Commission approves Modification One. The Agreement, as modified, is authorized to continue through March 31, 2017. Accordingly, the Motion for Temporary Relief is denied as moot.

## It is ordered:

- 1. The Agreement, as modified, is authorized to continue through March 31, 2017.
- 2. The Postal Service's Motion for Temporary Relief is denied as moot.

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble Secretary

<sup>2</sup> See Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief and Notice of the United States Postal Service of Filing Modification One to Global Expedited Package Services – Non-Published Rates 9 Customer Contract with Serial Number Ending: 0012, February 23, 2017, at 1-2 (Motion). The modification is attached to the Motion as Attachment 1 (Modification One).